

## 2010 CIRP Freshman Survey Changes

### Items deleted (numbering reflects 2009 TFS Survey)

DELETE: **19. Have you had, or do you feel you will need, any special tutoring or remedial work in any of the following subjects?** (Mark all that apply)

*Response categories: Have Had, Will Need*

English  
Reading  
Mathematics  
Science  
Foreign Language  
Writing

DELETE: **20. How many Advanced Placement courses or exams did you take in high school?** (Mark one in each row)

*Response categories: Not offered at my high school, None, 1-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15+*

AP Courses  
AP Exams

**27. For the activities below, indicate which ones you did during the past year. If you engaged in an activity frequently, mark F. If you engaged in an activity one or more times, but not frequently, mark O (Occasionally). Mark N (Not at all) if you have not performed the activity during the past year.** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at All*

DELETE: Played a musical instrument  
DELETE: Used the Internet: To read news sites  
DELETE: Used the Internet: To read blogs  
DELETE: Used the Internet: To blog

**34. Mark one in each row:**

*Response categories: 4 Agree Strongly, 3 Agree Somewhat, 2 Disagree Somewhat, 1 Disagree Strongly*

DELETE: There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals  
DELETE: Abortion should be legal  
DELETE: Marijuana should be legalized  
DELETE: Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America  
DELETE: Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society  
DELETE: Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status  
DELETE: Only volunteers should serve in the armed forces  
DELETE: Dissent is a critical component of the political process  
DELETE: Colleges have the right to ban extreme speakers from campus  
DELETE: Students from disadvantaged social backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admission  
DELETE: Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus

**36. In deciding to go to college, how important to you was each of the following reasons?**

(Mark one answer for each possible reason)

*Response categories: Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important*

DELETE: My parents wanted me to go

DELETE: **42. Do you give the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI) permission to include your ID number should your college request the data for additional research analyses? HERI maintains strict standards of confidentiality and would require your college to sign a pledge of confidentiality.**

Yes

No

**Items added/restored (numbering reflects 2010 TFS Survey)**

RESTORED: **19. During high school (grades 9-12) how many years did you study each of the following subjects?** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: None, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or more*

English

Mathematics

Foreign Language

Physical Science

Biological Science

History/Am. Gov't

Computer Science

Arts and/or Music

RESTORED: **27. Do you consider yourself:** (yes/no) (Mark one for each item)

Born-Again Christian

Evangelical

**28. For the activities below, indicate which ones you did during the past year. If you engaged in an activity frequently, mark F. If you engaged in an activity one or more times, but not frequently, mark O (Occasionally). Mark N (Not at all) if you have not performed the activity during the past year.** (Mark *one* for each item)

*Response Categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at all*

TGUVQTGF : Worked on a local, state, or national political campaign

ADDED: Publicly communicated my opinion about a cause (e.g. blog, email, petition)

ADDED: Helped raise money for a cause or campaign

TGUVQTGF : Fell asleep in class

TGUVQTGF : Failed to complete homework on time

**29. Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age. We want the most accurate estimate of how you see yourself** (Mark one in each row)

*Response categories: Highest 10%, Above Average, Average, Below Average, Lowest 10%*

TGUVQTGF : Competitiveness

**32. How often in the past year did you?** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at All*

ADDED: Integrate skills and knowledge from different sources and experiences

**35. Mark one in each row:**

*Response categories: 4 Agree Strongly, 3 Agree Somewhat, 2 Disagree Somewhat, 1 Disagree Strongly*

RESTORED: Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now

RESTORED: Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished

RESTORED: The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns

RESTORED: The federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution

RESTORED: A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs

RESTORED: The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit

RESTORED: Addressing global warming should be a federal priority

RESTORED: The chief benefit of a college education is that it increases one's earning power

ADDED: Gays and lesbians should have the legal right to adopt a child

**37. In deciding to go to college, how important to you was each of the following reasons?**

(Mark one answer for each possible reason)

*Response categories: Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important*

RESTORED: To get training for a specific career

RESTORED: To prepare myself for graduate or professional school

ADDED: **40. The current economic situation significantly affected my college choice** (Mark one)

*Response categories: Agree Strongly; Agree Somewhat, Disagree Somewhat, Disagree Strongly*

**43. What is your best guess as to the chances that you will:** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: V Very Good Chance, S Some Chance, L Very Little Chance, N No Chance*

RESTORED: Get tutoring help in specific courses?

ADDED: Take courses from more than one college simultaneously?

**Items changed (numbering reflects 2010 TFS Survey)**

CHANGED: All references to year advance one year (i.e. replace instances of 2009 with 2010)

CHANGED: **17. Are you a veteran?** (yes/no) **TO**

**Do you currently have veteran status with the US Armed Forces, Military Reserves or National Guard** (yes/no)

CHANGED: **20. Do you have a disability?** (Mark **all** that apply)

None

Hearing  
Speech  
Orthopedic  
Learning Disability  
Partially sighted or blind  
Health-related  
Other

**TO**

**Do you have any of the following disabilities or medical conditions? (yes/no)**

Learning disability (dyslexia etc.)  
Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)  
Physical disability (speech, sight, mobility, hearing, etc.)  
Chronic illness (cancer, diabetes, autoimmune disorders, etc.)  
Psychological disorder (depression, etc.)  
Other

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*Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at all*

CHANGED: Participated in political demonstrations **TO**  
Demonstrated for/against a cause

**32. How often in the past year did you? (Mark one for each item)**

*Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at All*

CHANGED: Work with other students on class assignments **TO**  
Work with other students on group projects

**42. Please indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following: (Mark one for each item)**

CHANGED: Writing original works (poems, novels, short stories, etc.) **TO**

Writing original works (poems, novels, etc.)

CHANGED: Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, decorating, etc) **TO**

Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, etc.)